

St Ann's Church of England **Primary School**



Together, we aim high; with God's love, we can fly!

Value of the Half Term

Hope

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We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

Psalm 33:20

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WELL DONE CHOIR



Well done to our KS2 choir who performed beautifully at the St Helens Town Hall on Monday evening. As always, they did us proud. Special thanks to Mrs Devany, our choir director, for once again giving up her evening to enable our children to take part.

We are looking forward to more children joining our choir next academic year. We already have a special booking!

KIDS GET THEIR SUPER POWERS BY ATTENDING SCHOOL EVERY DAY



Whole school attendance year to date Whole School target 96%	96.53%
Whole school attendance week ending 30 th June 2023	96.11%
Class with best weekly attendance	3H – 98.62%

TIPS FOR PARENTS BY PARENTS

Don't give in! Follow through. Be organised! Get everything ready from the night before. Have their coats and bags at the door, their lunch made and their clothes on the banisters.

Treat it like a military operation in the morning! Don't give them a choice to stay at home.

Give yourself 15 minutes before the kids get up. No TV, iPad or phones allowed in the morning.

Keep talking about the importance of school.

Early to bed the night before school, especially after holidays. Come back to school after doctor/ dentist appointments.

Know how many days your child has missed in school.



Attendance Expectations

Children are expected to be in school every day unless they are unwell. All other reasons will be unauthorised. If your child is going to be absent, contact school and let us know before 9.20am. Children not in school may receive a phone call home or home visit. In line we our Attendance Policy, we are committed to supporting families in improving their child's attendance, before taking legal action.

Number of pupils with 100% attendance this week

373

Punctuality

School starts at **8.50am**. Lessons start at **8.50am**.

School gates open at 8.40am.

Children arriving after 8.50am will need to use the main entrance. Children who enter school via the main entrance will be registered as late. Regularly missing the beginning of lessons has a negative impact on a child's progress and wellbeing.



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY CEREMONY

We are looking forward to our Children's University celebration on Thursday 13th July. If your child is receiving an award, you will have received an email this week with details of the

celebration.

Children do not have to have their own passport to qualify for an award as we automatically log hours for extracurricular activities that take place in school. We have been recording details of extracurricular involvement since each child entered year 1 - this means that if your child has attended a club at some point in school, they may have the opportunity to receive an award.

Well done to all this year's graduates.

WANTED: MIDDAY SUPERVISOR

Are you interested in becoming a Midday Supervisor at St Ann's? We are looking to recruit a Midday Supervisor on a zero-hours contract to cover on an ad hoc basis. Please direct your expression of interest to our school office to find out more. We look forward to you joining our school team soon!



Wednesday 19th July 2023.

School closes for summer on

WATER SAFETY WORKSHOPS

Following the recent tragic event that took place at Carr Mill Dam, we have a arranged a safety talk about open water swimming for our Y5 and Y6 children. This is due to take place on Tuesday 18 July, and will be led by St Helens Community Safety Team.

Y5/6 CHILDREN NOT PARTICIPATING IN LAKE DISTRICT RESIDENTIAL

Children not participating in the Lake District residential must still attend school Monday 10-Wednesday 12 July 2023. Children will be taught together and should enter school via the Y6 entrance.

Y5/6 LAKE DISTRICT RESIDENTIAL

The children are very excited as the trip is approaching. We have had a provisional itinerary through which shows activities like abseiling, raft building, orienteering, canoeing, climbing and more! Please make sure that you are following the school on Twitter to keep up-to-date with all the fun we will be having whilst we are away!



School re-opens after the summer on Tuesday 5th September 2023.



A SPOTLIGHT ON: Breakfast & After School Club (BASE)











BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club provides a safe and stimulating environment for your child between the hours of 8am and 8.50am. We offer a range of cereals, toast, crumpets, water, milk and a selection of fruits. Children attending the Breakfast Club also have access to a range of physically and mentally stimulating activities along with a selection of play equipment. There are social benefits as your child has the opportunity to mix with other children from differing age groups.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

The club provides high quality childcare at the end of the school day from 3:15–6pm for children aged 4-11. A safe, secure environment where children are cared for by qualified staff that have experience in providing play activities for young children. We provide a wide range of activities to meet the needs of individual children that include crafts, sports, table top activities, outdoor play. Children can access outdoor areas, musical instruments and a range of toys, games and play equipment. Drinks and snacks are provided in line with the schools healthy eating policy.

BOOKING A PLACE

If you are interested in a place for your child please email your requirements to stannsce@three-saints.org.uk in the first instance. One month's paid notice is required to cancel a booking or you will still be charged. All absences must be paid for. The waiting list and fee book are confidential. Please speak to staff regarding queries.

ATTENDING BASE

When children first join Breakfast or After School Club they will be allowed to settle in at their own pace. We encourage parents or carers to visit After School Club with their children shortly before they are due to start. This gives the children the opportunity to look around the Club and ask any questions. It also gives parents the opportunity to complete the necessary paperwork for registration with the Club if this has not yet been done,

COSTS

Breakfast Club £4.50 (from September)

After School Club £9.00 (from September)

PAYMENTS

When registering you will be asked to fill in a fee agreement form. Fees must be paid in advance. Failure to pay these fees will result in your child losing their place. Fees can be paid using Arbor, Childcare vouchers or Government Choices scheme. If you are having difficulties making payments please speak to staff in confidence for support.

COLLECTION

Children must be collected at or before 6pm form otherwise you will be subject to further charges. Late collection fees will be charged at £5 00 per 15 minutes

BASE MANAGER & SAFEGUARDING LEAD: MRS WARRILOW



CHILD CASTING CALL OUT

A visceral and contemporary new production that speaks to a world we find ourselves living in now, and asks why has Macbeth haunted our fears and nightmares for centuries and what lesson is this cautionary tale still urgently trying to communicate to us?

ETT and Shakespeare North are on the lookout for two children to take part in their upcoming production of Macbeth at Shakespeare North.

Dates*

Rehearsals - w/c 21st August

1st Preview - 1st September

Press Night - 6th September

Performances - 7th - 23rd September

*You can find a full performance schedule here.

What is the audition process like? In the first instance, please send a short film of your child reading this extract to ETT's Assistant Producer Maya Wilson – mwilson@ett.org.uk. We will then contact those that we would like to invite to an in-person audition. You might find it helpful to read this contemporary translation of the scene first - it should give you a clearer idea of what the scene is about.

Please send your audition tapes to Maya by Sunday, 9th July. Audition tapes should be shot in landscape against a plain background and can be filmed on your phone. Please begin the recording by stating your full name, age, and location.

No need to edit it or add any special effects. Simply attach the clip to an email with the subject line 'MACBETH CHILDREN - SHAKESPEARE NORTH' and send it over - we just need to be able to see and hear the child clearly.

Audition tapes will be deleted once the selection process has been completed.

Please be aware that the scene refers to a father being murdered. Don't worry though, we find out later in the play that he's not really dead! There is also a mention of traitors being executed by hanging. You may want to read the scene to check you're comfortable with your child seeing it.

When and where will the in-person auditions take place? Auditions will take place on 17th July between 3pm and 5pm at Shakespeare North Playhouse.

How old do I have to be to audition? We are looking to cast two children doubling as one role:

Playing age between 6 and 10 (could be a young looking 12/13 year old)

If I am cast in this show, what will the time commitment be like? The two children will alternate performances, performing in both matinees and evening shows. For matinees, we will likely ask actors (including kids) to arrive at the venue at about 12pm. For an 8 show week, each child will perform in 4 shows.

What if I have more questions? For more information, please email ETT's Assistant Producer Maya at mwilson@ett.org.uk

ETT is a committed equal opportunities employer with responsible child safeguarding practices in place.

About ETT: ETT are a UK based international touring company. We create theatre of outstanding quality, imagination, and ambition; work which interrogates and celebrates contemporary England and reflects the diversity of our nation.

About Shakespeare North :Shakespeare North Playhouse aims to bring people together to participate in a unique program

OPEN EVENING TO VIEW PUPIL BOOKS

On **Thursday 13 July at 3.30-4.30pm**, we are providing parents with an opportunity to view their child's books. Teachers will be available should parents wish to speak with them about their child's end of year report or transition.

Pupil books will be sent home from 14 July 2023



CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY PASSPORT BANK

The final Children's University Passport Bank of the academic year will take place on **Friday 14th July.**

If your child needs a new passport, these can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £3.00 (we have now received new stock).

CURRICULUM & CULTURAL VISITS

On **Monday 17th July** our Y4 children will go to Shakespeare North to watch Midsummer Mechanicals. Please refer to separate letter for details.



YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICES & SHIRT SIGNING



On **Wednesday 19 July** Year 6 will hold their Leavers Service. This will take place at **St Ann's Church at 9.30am.**

Children will be permitted to have their shirt signed back at school following the service. Parents may choose to send in a clean shirt rather than the one they are wearing that day. If you do not wish for your child to have their shirt signed, please make them aware of this.

Everybody welcome.

EAR PIERCING POLICY

Please remember children are not permitted to wear earrings to school. If your child is having their ears pierced shortly, this must be done within the **first couple of days of the summer holidays** so that the earrings can be removed on our return to school in September.

Thank you for your support with this health & safety matter.

END OF YEAR SCHOOL REPORT

End of year school reports will be sent home on Friday 14th July.

Should you wish to discuss your child's report following receipt of it, please contact your child's class teacher via the usual means.



AWARDS EVENING & Y6 DISCO

On **Tuesday 18th July** we are holding our Awards Evenings.



6.00pm: Year 6 Awards Evening. Everyone invited.

(followed by disco, to finish approximately 8.00pm)

7.00pm: EYs-Y5 Awards Evening

Invitation only

Children should wear full and correct uniform including black school shoes (summer or winter). Year 6 children should bring their disco clothes to school in the morning, in a named carrier bag. After the Awards Evening children will get changed into their disco clothes, back at school. Y6 children should be collected from school at 8.00pm from the back hall door.



SAFEGUARDING TOP TIP #15

Child exploitation

Every year, thousands of children in the UK are exploited. Some have been groomed into county lines drug trafficking, others face sexual abuse in their own communities. No matter the form of child exploitation, the language we use to talk about young people can often decide if they are kept safe or put more at risk.

Across the country, young people are being manipulated, sexually abused, forced to launder money and deal drugs. Exploitation isn't obvious. But it happens everywhere. And you can stop it.

If something doesn't feel right, don't wait, report it

• Call the police on 101 or 999 in an emergency

You can also <u>report to the police online</u>. Only report your concerns when it is safe for you to do so, even if this is after the event that your concerns initially arose. Do not attempt to intervene yourself.

- Text the British Transport Police on 61016
- Call Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111
- Call the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000

SPORT COMPETITIONS UDATE

Year 1/2 Girls Football

On 23rd July our Year 1/2 Girls had their first experience of competitive sport when they represented School at a Football tournament. With such a huge uptake in Girls sport at St Ann's we were fortunate to field two team in the competition and the girls thoroughly enjoyed their experience and are looking forward to representing the School again in the future.

Results Team 1:

St Ann's 1-0 Rainford Goal: Holly P (2B)

St Aidens 0-1 St Ann's Goal: Holly P (2B)

Queens Park 2-1 St Ann's

Goal: Harlie T (2H)

Rainford 1-1 St Ann's Goal: Holly P (2B)

St Ann's 3-1 St Thomas Goal: Holly P x3 (2B)

St Thomas 1-1 St Ann's Goal: Holly P (2B)

Results Team 2:

St Ann's 0-1 Chapel End

St Ann's 0-0 Queens Park

Queens Park 0-1 St Ann's

Goal: Faye C (2H)

Chapel End 1-0 St Ann's

Queens Park 0-1 St Ann's

Goal: Faye C (2H)

St Ann's 0-1 Queens Park









Join us for a moving concert featuring an interview-style telling of composer Roger Jones' story, illustrated by songs from his musicals. Free entry. Roger has been setting Bible characters and stories in musicals since the 1980s. These are performed in many churches in the UK and overseas. He received the Thomas Cranmer award for worship from Archbishop Justin Welby in 2019







Should I keep my

child off school?



Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scables	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics



but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

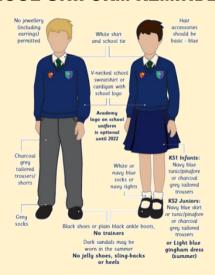




Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS



*Please note, it is no longer compulsory to wear items of clothing with the school and Trust logos on. Children may wear plain navyblue items of school uniform.

TOAST YEARS 1-6

If you would like your child to have Toast at breaktime for Autumn 1 (5th September – 26th October) please ensure that your Arbor Toast account has a balance of at least £9.50 by 12th July. If your account is not in credit by at least this amount by this date we will issue a reminder by In-App message. If payment is still not received by the date stated in the reminder we will be unable to provide your child with toast for the ensuing half term.

TERM DATES 2023-24

Term	Open on	Close on
Autumn	5 th September 2023	26 th October 2023
Term 2023	6 th November 2023	22 nd December 2023
Spring	9 th January 2024	9 th February 2024
Term 2024	19 th February 2024	28 th March 2024
Summer	15 th April 2024	22 nd May 2024
Term 2024	3 rd June 2024	23 rd July 2024

SCHOOL SHOES REMINDER



EARLY YEARS SNACK

Foundation stage children receive Snack on a daily basis. We would be most grateful if you would make payment on Arbor of the following amounts by the due dates:

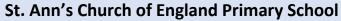
Summer 2 - £6.40 as soon as possible if not already paid.

PURCHASING SCHOOL ITEMS

If you wish to purchase a school item this can now be done through Arbor. If you make a purchase please email the school office at stannace@three-saints.org.uk so that arrangements can be made to issue the item. Current prices are as follows:

School Bag £10.00
Junior Tie £4.00
Elasticated Tie £3.50
Children's University Passport £3.00
Replacement Home School Diary £4.00

Courtesy Care Concentration



View Road, Rainhill, Merseyside, L35 0LQ Tele: 0151 426 5869

Website: http://www.rainhillstanns.co.uk
Email: stannsce@three-saints.org.uk

Twitter: @RainhillStAnns Headteacher: Mrs Laura Rynn



'But those who trust in the Lord, they will find new strength.

They will soar high on wings like eagles' Isaiah 40:31

Parents' Suggestion/Comment Slip

DATES FOR DIARY - SUMMER TERM

DAY	DATE	EVENT
Mon-Wed	10 th -12 th July 2023	Y5 & Y6 Lakeside Residential
Friday	14 th July 2023	Altru Eyes Open Performance for Y6
Friday	14 th July 2023	Children's University Passport Bank
Monday	17 th July 2023	Y4 trip to Shakespeare North Playhouse
Tuesday	18 th July 2023	Awards Evening – 6pm
		Y6 Leavers Disco – follows on from Awards Evening
Wednesday	19 th July 2023	Y6 Leavers Service 9.30am Church

TOAST

YEARS 1-6

If you would like your child to have Toast every half term please see below for the amount due each half term and the date the amount is required by. Payments should be made to your Arbor Toast account. Payments can be made in advance of these dates if you wish and the credit will be used once the due date arrives.

	Amount Due	Date Toast Account to be in credit by
Autumn 1	£9.50	13th July 2023
Autumn 2	£8.75	18th October 2023
Spring 1	£6.00	19th December 2023
Spring 2	£7.25	31st January 2024
Summer 1	£7.00	20th March 2024
Summer 2	£9.25	15th May 2024

Total for year £47.75

In the Street

Free Festival for Families

Big Gay Disco Bike



Cup of Tea in the World



Acrobatic Workshops



Saturday 15th July 10am - 4pm Church Square, St Helens



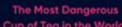












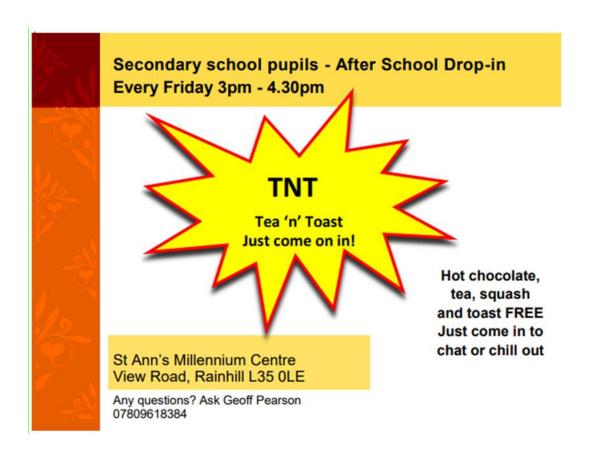


Family Catwalk



Crafts









St. Helens Council

People's Services Department St Helens Council Music Service, St Helens Town Hall Victoria Square St Helens WA10 1HP

Contact: Mrs Skrzypczak Tel: 01744 677946 musicservice@sthelens.gov.uk Twitter: @sthelensmusic

Summer School Invite - 20th and 21st July

Dear Parent/Carer.

We would like to invite your child to take part in our Music Service Summer School -

Where:	St Helens Town Hall, Victoria Square	
When:	Thursday 20th and Friday 21st July	
Times:	8:45am - 4:00pm	

The summer school is aimed at children who enjoy playing their instrument or singing and want the opportunity to work with other tutors to improve their musical skills. This will be a great opportunity to have fun, try different instruments and make music. The days will be split up into a variety of rehearsals and workshops with the chance to learn new music, develop their musicianship and instrumental skills along with interacting with other musicians. There will also be a creative music workshop delivered by international renowned film composer, Bill Connor as part of this year's summer school.

Children will need to arrive for 8:45am on both days and be collected at 4:00pm from the main entrance of St Helens Town Hall. They will need to bring a packed lunch for each day and should wear comfortable clothes. A tuck shop will be run throughout the day offering a selection of snacks and drinks, pupils may wish to bring a small amount of money with them in a purse or wallet. Please bring an instrument, if applicable.

The cost for the two days is £37.00. If your child would like to attend, please book online using the QR code below. Siblings are also eligible for discount with a reduction of fees to £20.00. Once booked, we will send you a consent form which you will need to complete in full and email back to <u>musicservice@sthelens.gov.uk</u>.



Should the full cost of the day prohibit your child from attending please contact the Music Service office to discuss our remissions policy.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so we recommend booking as soon as possible, with places only being booked once payment has been made online.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the music service on 01744 677946 or musicservice@sthelens.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Skrzypczak Music Service Manager St.Helens Council Music Service